

1 Transcripts will continue to be reviewed
2 by the staff immediately after the meeting, and any
3 errors corrected. Because of the size of the
4 transcripts I would prefer to continue to make these
5 available to commissioners upon request.

6 Minutes will be made available to the
7 public upon request and the transcript will be made
8 available to the public for a small fee.

9 At this point I'd like to move on the
10 agenda to the Chair's Report. While the past two
11 months have not included a Commission meeting they
12 have indeed, been busy ones nevertheless. I want to
13 thank those commissioners and their staffs who have
14 been involved in the Research Subcommittee and the
15 development of the rules. There are many individuals
16 who are so anxious for this Commission to produce
17 something of use that they overlook the many steps
18 that are necessary for us to get there.

19 I think that we are on track in these
20 areas and want to recognize the many hours that have
21 been put in by commissioners to get us where we are
22 today. We continue to work to resolve some of the

1 vexing administrative details about which no Federal
2 agency seems to have a ready answer.

3 From ethics rules to procurement rules
4 related to the research contract we've endeavored to
5 adhere to rules generally applicable to the agencies
6 of the Executive Branch. Nevertheless, certain issues
7 remain unresolved because of the unique status of this
8 Commission.

9 As I indicated to you previously, I have
10 spent considerable time, first to identify legal
11 counsel within the government, and failing to do so,
12 from the private sector. Obviously, having legal
13 assistance from the Department of Justice would be
14 very helpful, but Justice made it clear that it does
15 not believe that to be an appropriate role for that
16 agency.

17 I've compiled a list of former high-level
18 Justice or Congressional attorneys practicing in
19 Washington, and selected George Terwilliger to provide
20 counsel to the Commission for matters not covered
21 under our Memorandum of Understanding.

22 I first worked with George when he was

1 deputy attorney general of the United States under
2 President Bush. In this position he was responsible
3 for managing the nations's United States Attorneys,
4 directing the formulation and implementation of legal
5 policy for the Federal Government, and overseeing much
6 of the department's efforts to reduce illegal drug
7 trafficking.

8 Prior to this he served as the United
9 States Attorney for Vermont, and as an assistant U.S.
10 Attorney for the District of Columbia. George is
11 currently the partner in charge of the Washington
12 office of McGuire, Woods, Battle & Boothe; he's well-
13 known among private and public sector attorneys for
14 his exemplary ethics and personal integrity, his love
15 and knowledge of the law and the wealth of relevant
16 experience also that he possesses.

17 And we're very fortunate to have George
18 Terwilliger with us here today.

19 MR. TERWILLIGER: Thank you, Kay; that's
20 awful kind.

21 CHAIRPERSON JAMES: On behalf of the
22 Commission, welcome.

1 I'd like to take this opportunity to
2 introduce some members of the Commission staff.
3 Please note that you will find Commission member's
4 detailed staff information in Appendix C of the
5 briefing materials.

6 And although some Commissioners have
7 already had the opportunity to work directly and
8 become familiar with some staff during prior
9 Commission meetings, subcommittee meetings, and
10 through general contact at the Commission office or
11 over the phone, I'd like to take the time to formally
12 introduce all of them to you now.

13 Previously, you were introduced to Mark
14 Bogdan, our administrative officer -- Mark is right
15 over here -- and Deborah DuCre, who is the voice you
16 hear on the line when you call. Deborah, if you can
17 just walk in, say hello. I think that most of the
18 commissioners have had a chance to meet Dr. Tim Kelly
19 who is the research director; that's Dr. Kelly over
20 here.

21 Additional staff include Tim Bidwill as a
22 special assistant. Is Tim about, anywhere? He is

1 not? He's probably off xeroxing or running errands.
2 Tim is a recent graduate of Georgetown Law School and
3 worked for the House Crime Subcommittee. Allison
4 Flatt is a policy analyst who's seated right over
5 here. Allison, also an attorney, worked for the
6 National Association of Attorneys General where she
7 edited the newsletter for states on Internet gambling.

8 Amy Ricketts -- is Amy in the room? Amy
9 is in the back right over here -- is our
10 communications assistant, and Amy has worked on
11 Capitol Hill for a number of years, including the
12 House Republican Conference and the Heritage
13 Foundation.

14 I hope that all of you have had the
15 opportunity to meet or talk with them individually by
16 now, and appreciate all of their hard work in getting
17 us to this point.

18 At this point on our agenda we're prepared
19 to discuss old business, and that would bring us to
20 the point in the discussion about our rules. Shortly
21 after the last meeting I asked GSA, as instructed by
22 the Commission, to review the rules proposed for the